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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re U.S. Patent Application Of: )  
Donald Martin Monro )  
Application No. 09/375,459 ) Examiner: Anh Hong Do  
Filed: August 17, 1999 ) Group Art Unit: 2624  
For: Progressive Block-Based Coding For Image Compression )

**RESPONSE TO APRIL 5, 2002 OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 5, 2002. A shortened statutory period of three months for filing this Reply without extension was set to expire on July 5, 2002. However, the attached Petition for Three Month Extension and requisite fee make a response due by October 5, 2002. Therefore, this Reply is timely filed. Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Note, this Amendment and Reply is being submitted in a form permitted under the amended rule 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, two (2) sheets containing the marked-up claims are attached hereto as Attachment A.

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